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SUBJECT: 62ND ECOSOC: ASIAN CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (HRC)

REF: (A) TEHRAN 3791; (B) MANILA 6651

1. SINCE THERE ARE TWO CANDIDATES--IRAN AND PHILIPPINES--FOR SINGLE ASIAN REGIONAL GROUP VACANCY ON HRC, WE HOPE THAT ASIAN GROUP WILL BE ABLE TO DECIDE ON SINGLE CANDIDATE. NORMAL PRACTICE OF U.S. IS TO DEFER TAKING POSITION ON ELECTIONS TO UN BODIES UNTIL PREFERENCES OF REGIONAL GROUPS DIRECTLY CONCERNED ARE KNOWN.

2. IN RESPONSE TO OUR REQUEST, IRANIANS AGREED TO SUPPORT U.S. CANDIDACY FOR HRC SEAT (REF. A). SUBSEQUENTLY,
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IRANIAN AMBASSADOR ON MAY 3 ASKED SECRETARY FOR SUPPORT FOR IRANIAN CANDIDACY. SECRETARY SAID HE WOULD LOOK INTO MATTER AND GET BACK TO IRANIANS HERE. DEPT OFFICER HAS INFORMED IRANIAN EMBASSY OF POSITION DESCRIBED PARA 1.

3. FOR MANILA: YOU SHOULD FOLLOW LINE CONTAINED IN PARA 1 IN RESPONDING TO VERCELES.

4. FOR TEHRAN: IF QUERIED BY MFA, YOU SHOULD TAKE SAME LINE.

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5. FYI. WE RECOGNIZE ABOVE GUIDANCE DOES NOT COVER SITUATION SHOULD THERE BE NO AGREEMENT WITHIN ASIAN GROUP ON SINGLE CANDIDATE AND WILL BE CONSIDERING POSITION WE SHOULD TAKE IN THAT EVENTUALITY. END FYI. VANCE

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